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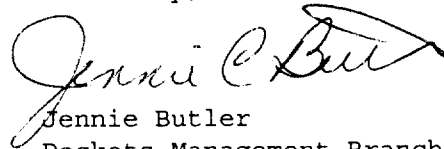
Fred H. Degnan  
King & Spalding  
1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20006-4706

Dear Mr. Degnan:

Your petition, on behalf of Brach and Brock Confections, Hershey Foods Corporation and Nestle USA, Inc., requesting the Food and Drug Administration to refrain from and suspend further action on hard candies, was received by this office on 04/22/99. It was assigned docket number 96P-0023/CP 2 and it was filed on 04/23/99. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

  
Jennie Butler  
Dockets Management Branch

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